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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 14, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1-9, 11-20, and 22, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: